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THE CITY OF WASHINGTON.

From the New York Observer. HISTORY OF THE FEDERAL SEAT OF GOVERNMENT. [Concluded.]

It is said that Washington's attention had een called to the advantages which this place presented for a city as long previous as when he had been a youthful surveyor of the country around. His judgment was confirmed by the fact that two towns were afterwards planned on the spot, and the first maps of the city represent it as laid out over the plains of Ham

burgh and Carrollsville. The first public communication on record in relation to arrangements for laying out this city is from the pen of General Washington, and bears date 11th March, 1791; in a subsequent letter, of the 30th April, he calls it the Federal Four months later, in a letter by the original commissioners, Messrs. Johnson, Stuart, and Carroll, dated Georgetown, September 9th, 1791, addressed to the architect, Major L'Enfant, he is instructed to entitle the district on his maps, "the Territory of Columbia," and the "the City of Washington."

On the 18th September, 1792, the southeast corner-stone of the north wing of the Capitol was laid by General Washington.

Much discussion took place relative to the plan, which was drawn by Major l'Enfant, and which, while it presents some fine features, has many defects, and in its execution has greatly detracted from the beauty of the site. He comnenced by laying down streets, which crossed each other at right angles, as at Philadelphia, at irregular intervals, however; and which were numbered or lettered. In order to give the city its distinctive national feature, great avenues, from one hundred to one hundred and sixty feet wide, were made to radiate from particular centres, such as the Capitol and President's house, so as to bring all the buildings o view from every quarter-a grand idea-but it cut the building lots into ugly triangles, and made base lines for the other streets. The streets, too, are wider than necessary, though nembers of Congress from the country like to ave plenty of breathing room.

It was remarked of L'Enfant, that he was not only a child in name, but in education; as, from the names he gave the streets, he appeared to know little else than A, B, C, one, two, three It appears, however, by a letter of the commis-sioners, that they gave these names to the city for convenience, a good arrangement, since the streets could more easily be found by a stran-

ger under such designations. The distances at which the public buildings are separated from each other have been frequently remarked. But letters from Washington and the commissioners show the reasons of

1. As a measure of security, so that only one could burn at a time. If enemies should enter British during the last war; they having spared the Patent and Post Office buildings, which would have met the fate of the Capitol had they been under the same roof.

2. It had been remarked at Philadelphia that the vicinity of the executive to the legislative departments exposed the former to constant interruptions from the latter. General Washington said that some of his secretaries had found themselves and their clerks so much annoyed by the intrusions of members of Congress, during office hours, that they had been obliged to retire to their homes, and lock themselves in, in order to attend to their ordinary duties. It was therefore desirable that the at particular hours, when Congress were not

It is not generally known that the plan contemplates a complete connexion between the gardens of the Capitol and those of the President's House by means of the mall, a plan which could have been carried out twenty years ago, at a comparatively small expense, by seting out trees, and levelling where necessary. The Smithsonian Institute is to be placed thereon, and there is a prospect that the be-quest of an enlightened foreigner will supply

that Congress has neglected. Some of the magnificent intentions with regard to the embellishment of the city were enumerated. Most of them might have been carried out at a trifling expense to the nation; and in all it is to be observed how admirably Gen. Washington's ideas combined utility with beauty, especially in his plan for furnishing to all for eign governments lots of ground whereon to erect houses for their ministers; in which it is to be wished he had succeeded, as well as in that of furnishing each Secretary with a house. a thing that seems to be much called for, since most of our Secretaries are obliged by their position to receive almost as much company as the President, and the furniture and rent of a serious burden upon many.

Another plan was, to give each State a square chose, either by houses for members, or helisks to its representatives who should die at the seat of Government.

the public buildings, and Maryland seventy-two thousand dollars. This was soon exhausted. It is a fact not generally known, and evidence

the intense anxiety Washington felt in the matter, that, when all other resources failed, he ade a personal application to the Legislature of Maryland for a loan; and the letter written on this occasion is remarkable for its terseness and propriety, and disregard of mere etiquette; for it seems that the Attorney General advised against its being sent, on the ground that it was not usual for the President to correspond, exept through certain officers.

The Legislature of Maryland granted the oan of \$100,000 on the strength of this letter, and the personal security of the commissioners-a fact, showing at how low an ebb the credit of the Government had arrived, since they were not willing to trust the nation alone. Washington was not destined to see Congress scated in the Capitol, which, in one of his leters, he speaks of as one of the events he most earnestly prayed for. He died on the 14th of December, 1799; Congress assembled there in 1300. All the speeches, at the opening of the session, allude to the city that bears his name as one of his monuments, which it should be the duty and pleasure of Congress to embellish and improve according to his wishes.

With regard to the progress of the city since that time, it must be confessed that the city their poverty.'

has not progressed in the rapid ratio which its founders so sanguinely predicted. Although they may not have anticipated any thing to compare with the magnificence and luxury figure with three equal sides and angles. It is which in many of the European courts have almost sufficed to build up a city, yet they prob-

ably overrated the attractions of the Government and Congress. The greatest drawback upon the prosperity

of the place has been the enormous debt conracted in order to carry out the plan of its

books, apparatus, and other facilities for political metropolis, and attracting thither as artists, in their roughest and finest mechanism, citizens a class of men who will give more of permanence and tone to its shifting society.

In all other points of view-in relation to

It can never become a great city in the ordinary sense of the term, that is to say, it can the heavenly bodies. never be the seat of a very heavy commerce, and consequently of long rows of warehouses and consequently of long rows of warehouses and striking contrasts between the extremes of both of luman and divine purposes, are brought into use the slate and pencil, pen, ink, and for the cultivation of that political union, and that social intercourse which more than any-thing else unbends the sterner feelings of our nature, and dispels all sectional prejudices. Its prosperity will be no unfit emblem of the progress of our Republic; for it is now occupied n about the same proportion with our extended territory, and every sensible increase to the to secure the admiration of the most obdurate population of the Union adds a mite to that of dulness, or to show its varied and important this city, since it augments the machinery of

### . From the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

THE NEW COSTUME FOR WOMEN .- On Satur-Chestnut street, in the new female costume-We have received a communication on the sub- Washington to a "Scholars' Fair" in lay before our readers. It is from the pen of a gentleman of high standing, the father of a family, and one held in universal esteem. We present it to our readers as giving the views of at least one of our best citizens:

Reform .- We go for the rights of women to a certain extent, and especially for their right to reform their own costume, when they can make it more convenient, and equally modest and handsome. Mrs. Bloomer, editor of a paper the place, they would, in the first enset, destroy every thing; but, as they progressed, their fury would cool down. This proved true in the infamous attack on the public buildings by the and to adopt what for little girls are called "frock and trowsers." Thus far we learn that a few ladies have had courage and independence enough to adopt this new costame, and we have noticed with pleasure that one importer at least has sent out orders for the manufacture of dress materials with borders suitable for the

new-fashioned skirts. We like Mrs. Bloomer's independence in leading off in this manner-preferring utility, economy and convenience to fashion-and sincerely hope she may find many of her sex who will have the moral courage to follow her example. Our ladies have been entirely too much the slaves of custom in regard to dress. In arranging a suitable costume for the sex, we adexecutive officers should be sufficiently far from | mit that a due regard should be had to modesty the Capitol to exempt them from visits, except in appearance, and, when this is maintained, ers may like to know the difference between there certainly ought to be no objection to a what it costs their husbands to keep them and change which is productive of utility, economy what Queen Victoria spends: and convenience. This is emphatically the age

to the comfort and happiness of our species? judices, it is very certain that the form and king's tent, dressed in complete armor, and figure and action of a lady would appear to us armed with a bow, arrows, and sword, and the more graceful in the new dress; and that if it maces of office. were once generally introduced, we should soon wonder how it was possible the sex could have lord steward's department, the butter, bacon, borne so long the incumbrances and annovances eggs and cheese consumed about equal Mr. Fillof the long trains, subject to be trodden on and torn by every passer-by.

the full particulars of this most brutal murder have at length been developed, and that the fiends who were the principal actors are among the persons now confined in the Chestertown occasion, recently, \$335,000 were voted for the It will be recollected that shortly after the murder was committed, it was stated that a certain female in Delaware had intimated that she knew all about the matter, but all attempts house is, with their uncertain tenure of office, to find out her whereabouts proved fruitless until a few days since, when it was ascertained that she was residing in New Jersey. On Friground, to ornament in such a manner as day last she was brought to Kent county, and upon her representation a man named Shaw was arrested in New Castle county, Delaware, and brought to Chestertown on Saturday night The State of Virginia made a donation of one last. On Sunday, Shaw made a full confession. ndred and twenty thousand dollars towards acknowledging that he was one of the party at Cosden's house on the night of the murder: that he was induced to go there for plunder only; that Abe Taylor shot Mr. Cosden from the outside, and also shot Mrs. Cosden when she came into the yard; that Shelton entered the house and murdered Miss Cosden, and afterwards went up stairs and killed Miss Webster: that although Murphy and himself were present during the time, neither of them had any to do with the murder. He stated that he (Shaw) was bitterly opposed to the murder. It will be seen that the statement of Shaw corroborates most of the facts alleged by Drummond, now in jail, although that individual varied his statements in regard to the details so much that his confession could hardly be cred-Drummond was not one of the party engaged in the murder, as he has always strenuously asserted, and Shaw entirely acquits him of all participation .- Baltimore American of this

> MARRIAGE PORTIONS, -- It was one of the laws of Lycurgus, that no portions should be given to young women in marriage. When this great lawgiver was called upon to justify this conct-ment, he observed—"That in the choice of a wife, merit only should be considered, and that

MECHANISM, No II.-By Josian Holskook.

as curious as it is simple, and because it is simple. It is perhaps the most important element of material forms, and the most powerful instrument for measuring the heavens and the earth. It is the element of snow-flakes, in their greatly multiplied forms; of the crystal of the diamond and of very numerous mineral subfounders for connecting the Potomac and Ohio stances; of the honeycomb, and of insect archiremoved, and, with the completion of the canal as far as the coal regions, it is hoped that a new element of prosperity will be introduced.

With regard to the Smithsonian Institution

ferent modifications; of mountain architecture, as sometimes exhibited; and of natural mechaust organized, it was remarked that, if half the nism, as produced by the hand of the Creator, plans are fulfilled, the effect must be, sooner or later, to concentrate in Washington one of the later, to concentrate in Washington one of the largest and best collection in the country, of skill, in greatly multiplied forms, has also this the same most simple figure for its element. The paving of streets, the structure of floors, the prosecution of investigations in science and art, giving an interest to the place, throughout the forming of bed-quilts, the work of the engraver, year, for other attractions besides those of a mere the engineer, the architect, and of artisans and

eval triangle as the starting point.

This same figure, modified by divisions and health, expense and habits of living, and accessibility—the judgment of its founders has been strument for surveying land, navigating the fully confirmed. tances, motions, and numerous phenomena of

In making and applying this fruitful element paper, scale and dividers, the brush and paints, scissors, knife, saw, plane, chisel, and various other tools. By these tools, applied to their appropriate materials, this one most simple of all figures may be so combined, modified, and extended as to present forms of beauty, taste, and practical utility which cannot possibly fail uses to every farmer, mechanic, and housekeeper-indeed, to every being having hands,

eyes, and mind. EXPERIMENTS.—Opportunities offered to boys and girls to prepare illustrations of mechanism day afternoon a lady made her appearance on in its first elements never full to afford them the most delightful of all amusements; espeshort skirt and Turkish trowsers. She elicited general remark and some admiration for her costume as well as her courage in wearing it.

of juvenile skill, sent, a short time since, from ject of this proposed change in dress, which we York, were objects of general admiration by the crowd of visiters viewing them, and noticed in strong terms of commendation by several editors present on the occasion, in the public journals under their direction. Mechanical drawing is now a regular exercise in the New York public schools, as it should be in every school and

## every family in all countries.

[Communicated.] SCANDALUM MAGNATUM .- A little fellow the other day, with a paper to which several names were attached-not recognised, however, as on the tax-list-addressed several gentlemen at one of the hotels, soliciting subscriptions towards the purchase of apparatus and defrayment of the expense attending the formation of a "Ju-venile Fire Company," alleging that a munici-pal officer sanctioned the enterprise! Now, this appears so strange and objectionable where a certain course of conduct is already too susceptible of imitation, that, as a vigilant observer of passing events, and as a parent, I feel constrained to advertise other parents of the project in embryo, if it be not a small scheme for " raising the wind" instead of water, that heads of families may interpose their authority for the preservation of the morals of our youth.

A LADY'S EXPENSES .- Some of our lady read-

"The Queen's salary was fixed by the Reof improvement, and why should it not have formed Parliament, in 1837, at \$385,000improvements in dress as well as in houses, fur- nearly two million dollars. This is distributed niture, and a thousand other things which add among a number of persons-lord chamberlains, grooms in waiting, gentlemen ushers, sergeant-If we could only divest ourselves of old pre- at-arms, whose duties are to hold watch in the

"This is the nineteenth century! In the more's salary. The butcher's bill is nearly \$50,000. The lord steward gets \$10,000, and the master of the household, who does the so-THE COSDEN MURDER-The Murderers Dis- called duties, gets about \$6,000. The kitchen covered.—We learn from a gentleman who came up yesterday afternoon from Chestertown, that the full particulars of this most brutal murder annually, £128,386—about \$600,000. The department of the master of the horse, who gets queen's stables, and the same session refused \$150,000 for national education. 'God save

IRISH EMIGRATION. - James Power, esq., D.L., Eldermine, county Wexford, Ireland, has given all his poor tenants, not able to live at home, money and clothes to take them to America Six hundred persons connected with agriculture, in and about Bannow, county Wexford, are preparing to emigrate to America.

VEA. VERILY :- A Quaker, on hearing a man damn a particularly bad piece of road, went to him and said: "Friend. I'm under obligations to thee. What thou hast done I would have done, but my religion forbids it. Don't let my conscience, however, bridle thine. Give thine adignation wings, and suffer not the prejudice of others to paralyze the tongue of justice and long suffering-yea, verily.

AN INTERESTING SPECTACLE. - For some time past, in our city, has been seen an individual who has lost the use of his limbs by an attack of palsy or rheumatism, propelled in a veloci-pede by the aid of a goat. His sagacious friend follows in the rear with his head pressed against the back part of the vehicle, and thus forces it along. The invalid assures us that he can thus easily accomplish, on a common road, twenty

In regard to late scientific experiments, it is said that a little more brandy in your water than usual will cause the rotation of the earth to be distinctly visible.

We can be truly happy but in proportion as we are the instruments of promoting the happiness of others.

A great scarcity of scamen is reported in the law was made to prevent young women A great scarcity of seamen is reported in being chosen for their riches, or neglected for Boston. Vessels find it difficult to get the necessary complement even for California.